



FOUNDATION
FOR
RUSHFORD-PETERSON SCHOOLS

Board Meeting Minutes

MAY 6, 2022 | 7:30 a.m. | Forum Room, RP School

The meeting was called to order by President Joyce Iverson at 7:31 a.m.

In Attendance: Donna Boyum, June Vitse, Jen Hengel, Jack Culhane, Joyce Iverson, Jenny Helgemoe, Brenda Tesch and Jo Anne Agrimson.

Absent: Duane Koenen, Brielle Rasmussen, Aaron Prinzen, and Supt. Jon Thompson, Amy Woxland

Agenda: Motion made to approve the agenda by Vitse; seconded by Tesch. Motion carried.

Minutes: Motion made to approve the minutes from April 8, 2022 by Culhane; seconded by Boyum. Motion carried.

The Foundation congratulates graduating senior Aaron Prinzen, a student member of the board.

Financial Report: Jen Hengel gave the quarterly report, including interest accumulated in the last quarter. The Endowment Fund was down \$3,331.82 during last quarter. All Bluff Land Tri sponsorship funds are going in the Scholarship Fund.

Motion made by Agrimson; seconded by Vitse to accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Bills to Pay/Angel Fund: There were several requests to the Angel Fund.

The following individual requests were made:

- \$50 for 5th Grader to attend Eagle Bluff with class; and
- \$148.50 for student in Project Kids, May 2 to May 25

Questions were raised about the Project Kids request, since it seemed to board members that this was a request for childcare funds. If we pay for childcare, how would we choose who would get funds and who would not. Also, the expenses for childcare could erode our Angel Fund rapidly. Could the school better work with this family to provide alternative options for payment?

Agrimson made a motion; Boyum seconded to pay the \$50 for the Eagle Bluff trip and to discuss with Principal Angela Shepard that the school work with the Project Kids family to make small installments on the \$148.50 bill. This bill is seen as childcare by the board. Motion carried with Iverson abstaining.

The Angel Fund requests for groups are as follows:

- \$592 requested for snacks for the summer school program

A brief discussion was held. The board asked whether the summer school coordinators had asked families for any amount of money to help provide snacks. The Foundation did pay for snacks last year.

Helgemoe made a motion, seconded by Vitse, to approve the Angel Fund request for \$592.00 for summer school program snacks. Motion carried.

- There was a \$500 gap in the amount the school expected to pay for the 5th grade Eagle Bluff trip and the actual cost. Both the Lions Club and American Legion have been asked to help fill the gap as well as our Foundation Board.

Culhane made a motion, seconded by Vitse, to table the \$500 request until we know whether the Lions and Legion may contribute. Motion carried.

Culhane asked that we discuss the issue of donations going toward childcare from the Angel Fund. We will place this on the July agenda.

Toni Oian emailed to report \$224.79 unused funds from a previous Angel Fund request. Hengel felt the amount could remain with the school to be applied to other Angel Fund requests, as approved by the Board.

BLT Committee – Planning for Bluff Land Trojan Kids Challenge on July 16 during Rushford Days & Bluff Land Tri on August 20, 2022:

June Vitse is replenishing the treasures for participants in the kids' race, and Brenda Tesch will be purchasing medals for the races. The committee is looking for bicycle tires for an obstacle on the course and for volunteers to help with the challenge. Tesch noted that the event takes very little time for volunteers.

Registration for the BLT is launched. Tesch posted the event on Facebook and the link is on the Bluff Land Tri page. 25 people are already registered. Sally Ryman has reached out to the 50 volunteers who helped in 2021. Shirts and finisher medals will be given out to those who are signed up by mid-July. The event is open to 125 participants.

The committee is looking to give some sort of award other than a medal for different age groups. Examples are wood-turned items or rock unique to our area.

Next meetings: 7:30 a.m. June 3, July 8, August 5

Motion made to adjourn by June Vitse, seconded by Brenda Tesch, at 7:57. Motion carried.

ACTIONS FOR SMIF:

General Fund payments approved in the above minutes total \$642.00 to Rushford-Peterson School. However, the school has \$224.79 remaining from a previous Angel Fund approved request that was not fully needed. Therefore, the Foundation for R-P Schools is requesting a **\$417.21** payment from its General Fund to Rushford-Peterson Schools.